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1. CONCERNING CONSULTANT GROUP IN PARA 2 OF REFTTEL, SUGGEST YOU CONTACT ORGANIZATION TO DETERMINE WHETHER IT WILLING TO SEND REPRESENTATIVE TO TEHRAN TO BRIEF HIMSELF REGARDING SECURITY AND ORGANIZATIONAL NEEDS AS DESCRIBED IN FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS. NEXT FULL MEETING WITH BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES TO BE HELD AT EMBASSY NOV. 9. HE WHOULD BE AVAILABLE TO PRESENT HIS VIEWS TO THIS GROUP.

2. AN ASSESSMENT BY THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY WITH GUIDANCE FROM THE EMBASSY OF TRUE SECURITY NEEDS HAS BEEN MADE AS NOTED TEHRAN 9630. IN DISCUSSIONS WITH ALL INTERESTED PARTIES, A PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A LIAISON OFFICE WAS FOUND TO BE LOGICAL SOLUTION.

3. MOST RECENT DEVELOPMENT CONCERNING PROGRAM WAS A FORMAL NOTE TO GOI MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS RELATIVE TO THEIR COOPERATION IN ACQUIRING ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF IRANIAN NATIONAL POLICE IN PROJECT. THIS PROPOSAL WAS RECEIVED AT THE MINISTRY IN A FAVORABLE MANNER, AND WE ARE CURRENTLY AWAITING A RESPONSE.

4. WHEN THIS PROJECT IS IN OPERATION, THE SCOPE OF RESPONSIBILITIES
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WOULD INCLUDE THE OBTAINING OF INFORMATION RELATIVE TO TERRORIST

ACTIVITY AS IT RELATES TO THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY, PROCESSING SECURITY CHECKS ON IRANIAN EMPLOYEES OF U.S. FIRMS, CONDUCTING SECURITY SURVEYS OF PLANTS, OFFICES AND RESIDENCES, AND MAINTAINING THE LIAISON FUNCTION OF THE OFFICE ON A 24-HOUR BASIS.

5. THIS WILL REQUIRE A NINE-MAN LOCAL STAFF OF RETIRED IRANIAN NATIONAL POLICE OFFICERS, FIVE OF WHOM WILL WORK A NORMAL WORKWEEK, WITH THE REMAINING FOUR RESPONSIBLE FOR DUTY DURING 4-12 AND 12-8 SHIFTS AND WEEKENDS. ALL NINE WILL BE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF RESPONSIBLE U.S. CIVILIAN WHO WILL ANSWER TO HIS EMPLOYERS, THE U.S. BUSINESS COMMUNITY.

6. THIS OFFICE WILL HAVE NO LEGAL AUTHORITY IN IRAN AND WILL RELY ON IRANIAN LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES FOR ANY ACTION INVOLVING LEGAL RAMIFICATIONS. OPERATIONAL FUNDING FOR THIS PROJECT WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY WHICH INCLUDES OFFICE SPACE, FURNITURE, EQUIPMENT, VEHICLES, ETC. A STUDY CONDUCTED BY COST ACCOUNTANTS ESTIMATES TOTAL COST OF PROJECT TO RUN ABOUT \$500,000 PER YEAR, OR \$20.00 PER AMERICAN IN COUNTRY. THIS FIGURE HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY BUSINESS COMMUNITY.

7. WE ALSO PROPOSE TO HAVE ONE IRANIAN NATIONAL POLICE OFFICER ON DUTY FOR LIAISON PURPOSES FOR EACH SHIFT. HE WILL NOT BE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF U.S. CIVILIAN BUT WILL ACT AS NATIONAL POLICE COORDINATOR FOR RESPONSIVE POLICE REACTION TIME WHEN SERIOUS INCIDENT OCCUR. HOPEFULLY, ALL IRANIANS INVOLVED WILL HAVE ENGLISH LANGUAGE CAPABILITY.

8. AT PRESENT, EACH MAJOR U.S. FIRM ICSIRAN HAS A SECURITY REPRESENTATIVE, Z, \$ 23 ARE URGING THE SMALLER FIRMS TO BAND TOGETHER IN GROUPS OF 3 OR 4 AND TO APPOINT A SECURITY OFFICER TO SERVICE EACH OF THESE GROUPS.

9. INITIALLY, WE FEEL ONE AMERICAN CAN OPERATE THE LIAISON OFFICE. PERHAPS IN THE FUTURE HE MAY NEED ASSISTANCE AS THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY GROWS OR IF THERE IS AN INCREASE IN TERRORIST ACTIVITY.

10. THE ABOVE IS THE PLAN FOR THIS PROJECT AND TDY RSO DUGAN HAS LOCATED A LOCAL COORDINATOR TO ASSUME CONTROL OF PROGRAM. HE IS MR. TONY MALONEY, A RETIRED FBI AGENT WITH 28 YEARS' CONFIDENTIAL

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SERVICE WHO IS CURRENTLY EMPLOYED AS SECURITY COORDINATOR WITH BELL INT'L HELICOPTER.

11. AS A RESULT OF THE ABOVE, AND WITH ALL AVENUES EXPLORED, TDY OFFICER DUGAN, WITH POST'S CONCURRENCE, WOULD LIKE TO RETURN TO WASHINGTON WITHIN A WEEK.
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